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1. The Executive Committee of the Partido Socialista de Nicaragua (PSN) is now making plans to organize discussion groups under the direction of the district Committees for the purpose of propagandizing the Communist-sponsored Congress for Peace and Democracy. In general the discussions will be along cultural and political lines, and will center on the danger of a third World War and a plan of action to prevent it.
2. Manuel Aleman Guerrero, a leading Nicaraguan Communist, discussed the PSN plans at a meeting held with other Nicaraguan Communists on 4 January. Aleman, at one time a prominent figure in local labor circles, lived in Mexico for about ten years until June 1948, when he left that country for Nicaragua. He was taken prisoner on the Honduran-Nicaraguan border by the Guardia Nacional, and held in La Aviacion prison until his release on 1 January 1949. In Mexico Aleman reportedly studied labor law and sociology in the Universidad Obrera of Mexico City.
3. The meeting took place in the home of Salvador Cuadra. Present in addition to Cuadra were Manuel Centeno Rizo, Domingo C. Garcia, Maria Luisa Larios, Juan Lorio, Rosa Amelia Pereira, Jose Francisco Pinell, Tulio Tablada, Octavio Tenerio, and Joaquin Villalobos.

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